

## **DEVICES AND METHOD FOR NUCLEUS PULPOSUS AUGMENTATION AND RETENTION**

### Abstract of the Disclosure

Systems for minimally invasive disc augmentation include an annulus augmentation component and a nucleus augmentation component. Both are suited for minimally invasive deployment. The nucleus augmentation component restores disc height and/or replaces missing nucleus pulposus. The annulus augmentation component shields weakened regions of the annulus fibrosis and/or resists escape of natural nucleus pulposus and/or the nucleus augmentation component. Methods and deployment devices are also disclosed.

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